US ROUTE 67 (FAP 310) AND ILLINOIS ROUTE 336 (FAP 315)

MACOMB AREA STUDY

MCDONOUGH COUNTY, ILLINOIS

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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ABSTRACT: The proposed action is the construction of an access-controlled, four-lane highway in McDonough County, Illinois that will allow for the continuation of US 67, US 136, and proposed Illinois 336 around the City of Macomb. It would be approximately 20.5 kilometers (12.7 miles) long. The highway would also link east-west roads, existing US 136, and proposed Illinois 336 to US 67. It would also reduce traffic congestion in and around Macomb, increase safety for city traffic by establishing a through-traffic alternative (bypass), reduce travel times for local and regional drivers, and support the city's economic development goals. A preferred alternative is identified and assessed. The proposed action would result in the displacement of seven residences and one business. It would require 285.7 hectares (706.0 acres) of new right-of-way. The majority of required right-of-way is used for agriculture; however, some locations are wooded. Approximately 1.04 hectares (2.55 acres) of wetlands used would be mitigated as part of the project.

Comments on this Draft Environmental Impact Statement are due by January 13, 2004 and should be sent to Mr. Joseph E. Crowe, P.E. at the above address.